PUBLIC NOTICE OF ELECTION STATE OF TENNESSEE CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT **TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 2, 2010**

Pursuant to T.C.A. § 2-12-111 (b) The Williamson County Election Commission is hereby giving notice to all registered voters in every district and precinct that the following resolution requires a proposed Constitutional Amendment to be placed on the November 2, 2010, State General Election ballot. Voters will vote Yes or No for this Constitutional Amendment:

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 30

A RESOLUTION to propose an amendment to Article XI. Section 13 of the Constitution of the State of Tennessee, relative to the right to hunt, fish, and harvest game.

WHEREAS, the Legislature finds that hunting and fishing are honored traditions in the State of Tennessee; and

WHEREAS, from the time prior to statehood, citizens have enjoyed the bounty of Tennessee's natural resources, including hunting and fishing for subsistence and recreation. Indeed, hunting and fishing are a vital part of this state's heritage and economy and should be preserved and protected; and

WHEREAS, the legislative intent of this amendment is declared to be the following:

- (1) Hunting and fishing for the taking of game and fish are a valued part of this state's heritage and should be preserved for the people;
- (2) Citizens of this state should have the opportunity to take game and fish by traditional manner and means; however, game and fish management, including hunting and fishing, shall be consistent with the state's duty to honor this heritage and its duty to conserve and protect game and fish; and
- (3) The right of the people to hunt and fish shall be subject to reasonable regulations and restrictions as the Legislature may prescribe; and

WHEREAS, the One Hundred Fifth General Assembly considered and adopted House Joint Resolution No. 108, which proposed an amendment to Article XI, Section 13 of the Constitution of the State of Tennessee. relative to the right to hunt, fish, and harvest game; now, therefore,

Be it resolved by the senate of the one hundred sixth GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that a two-thirds majority of all the members elected to each house concurring, as shown by the yeas and nays entered on their journals, that it is proposed that Article XI, Section 13 of the Constitution of the State of Tennessee be amended by adding the following sentences at the end of the section:

The citizens of this state shall have the personal right to hunt and fish, subject to reasonable regulations and restrictions prescribed by law. The recognition of this right does not abrogate any private or public property rights, nor does it limit the state's power to regulate commercial activity. Traditional manners and means may be used to take non-threatened species.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that in accordance with Article XI, Section 3 of the Constitution of the State of Tennessee the foregoing proposed amendment shall be submitted to the people at the next general election in which a governor is to be chosen, the same being the 2010 November general election, and the secretary of state is directed to place such proposed amendment on the ballot for that election. *************

Please refer to the Tennessee Division of Elections website at http://state.tn.us/sos/election/index.htm for information concerning the process for holding a statewide referendum.

For further information contact Ann Beard, Administrator of Elections, at telephone number (615) 790-5711 or annb@williamson-tn.org

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